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“Sexual Orientation” Legislation is used to Discriminate and to Persecute Christians

Evidence exists to warrant an investigation into how businesses and institutions use “sexual orientation” in policies and legislation to discriminate against Christians.

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There is anecdotal evidence that businesses and institutions use their sexual orientation anti-discrimination policies to exclude the hiring of conservative Christians from important positions. I have personally heard evidence, and a bias is evident by the makeup of our public university faculty and upper administration.

While covert discrimination against Christians appears widespread, open persecution of conservative Christians is becoming more prevalent. Examples of persecution resulting from “sexual orientation” protections in policies and legislation are:

2006 – Boston Catholic Charities told by the State of Massachusetts to place adopted children with homosexuals. Boston Catholic Charities chose to close its adoption agency.

(<http://www.catholicculture.org/news/features/index.cfm?recnum=42906>)

2008 – Crystal Dixon fired from the University of Toledo for stating homosexuals are not civil rights victims. (<http://www.toledofreepress.com/2008/04/18/gay-rights-and-wrongs-another-perspective/>)

2009 – Julea Ward dismissed from an Eastern Michigan University graduate program for not affirming homosexuality. (<http://www.alliancedefendingfreedom.org/News/PRDetail/4087>)

2010 – Jennifer Keeton told by Augusta State University she needed to change her Christian beliefs to graduate. (<http://www.adfmedia.org/news/prdetail/4140>)

2013 – Aaron and Melissa Klein sued by the State of Oregon for refusing to bake a cake for a gay wedding. (<http://www.foxnews.com/opinion/2014/01/21/christian-bakery-guilty-violating-civil-rights-lesbian-couple/>)

2013 – Elaine and Jonathan Huguenin, found guilty of violating New Mexico’s Human Rights Act for refusing to photograph a gay wedding. (Same reference as Aaron and Melissa Klein)

2014 – Cynthia and Robert Gifford fined by the State of New York for not allowing a gay wedding on their farm. (<http://nypost.com/2014/11/10/couple-fined-for-refusing-to-host-same-sex-wedding-on-their-farm/>)

INSTITUTIONALIZED BIAS: LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) Departments of public universities are political interest groups funded by the universities. There are no equally funded conservative political interest groups funded by the universities.

Some LGBT political interest groups funded with public money:

University of Michigan–Ann Arbor funds the “Spectrum Center”

University of Michigan–Flint funds the “Ellen Bommarito LGBT Center”

Michigan State University funds the MSU “LBGT Resource Center”

Eastern Michigan University funds the EMU “LGBT Resource Center”

Clinical Evidence of the Health Risks Related to Homosexual Behavior

(Homosexuality should not be promoted as an equally healthy life option)

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- **The 2014 Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) HIV statistics estimated the “number of new HIV infections was greatest among MSM [men who have sex with men] in the youngest age group.”** Overall, 2010 CDC statistics estimate “MSM accounted for 78% of new HIV infections among males and 63% of all new infections.” The CDC estimated the MSM population to be 4 percent of the male population. (CDC, 2014, <http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/statistics/basics/ata glance.html>)
- **Using these CDC statistics the risk of MSM contracting HIV from homosexual behavior is 85 times greater than non-MSM males.** When injection drug users are removed from the comparison, the risk of MSM contracting HIV from homosexual behavior is over 150 times greater than non-MSM males.
- **“In 2012, men who have sex with men (MSM) accounted for 75% of primary and secondary syphilis cases in the United States. MSM often are diagnosed with other STDs”** (CDC, 2014, <http://www.cdc.gov/msmhealth/STD.htm>)
- **“Studies have shown that, when compared with the general population, gay and bisexual men, lesbian, and transgender individuals are more likely to: • Use alcohol and drugs • Have higher rates of substance abuse • Are less likely to abstain from alcohol and drug use • Are more likely to continue heavy drinking into later life.”** (CDC, 2013, <http://www.cdc.gov/msmhealth/substance-abuse.htm>)
- **“Men who have sex with men are at even greater risk for suicide attempts, especially before the age of 25.”** (CDC, 2013, <http://www.cdc.gov/msmhealth/suicide-violence-prevention.htm>)
- **The underlying cause of the behavior leading to the health risks is mostly due to psychological maladaptation. One hundred years of psychoanalytic case studies have shown that homosexuality is often the result of unresolved trauma that occurred in early childhood.** The homosexual attractions and behaviors often develop as a reparative adjustment. (Sadger, 1910; Ferenczi, 1916; Adler, 1930; Klein, 1932; Sullivan, 1933; Nunberg, 1938; Rado, 1940; Brill, 1940; Fenichel, 1945; Bychowski, 1945; Thompson, 1947; Glover, 1949; Gershman, 1953; Kardiner, 1954; Bergler, 1956; Bieber, 1962; Ovesey, 1965; Socarides, 1968; Hatterer, 1970; Chasseguet-Smirgel, 1974; Barnhouse, 1977; Van den Aardweg, 1985; McDougall, 1986; Tabin, 1995; Nicolosi, 1991 & 2009; Hallman, 2008; Pretlow, 2010)
- **Promiscuity is an unhealthy norm of male homosexuality.** Evelyn Hooker, an early researcher of “normal homosexuals,” found that sexual fidelity was rare in the male homosexual culture (Hooker, 1965). Similarly, in a study of 150 male couples gay researchers found, “The expectation of outside sexual activity was the rule for male couples and the exception for heterosexuals” (McWhirter and Mattison, 1984).